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FOLLOWING TEL SENT ACTION SECSTATE, TOKYO INFO SINGAPORE,
STOCKHOLM FROM KUALA LUMPUR AUG 04:

QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L KUALA LUMPUR 4523

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: CONSUL BEING HELD HOSTAGE

1. RED ARMY GUNMEN HAVE NOW TAKEN OVER ENTIRE NINTH FLOOR OF AIA BUILDING, INCLUDING PREMISES OF SWEDISH EMBASSY. THEY HAVE TAKEN SWEDISH CHARGE FREDRIK BERGENSTRAHLER AND HIS SECRETARY AS HOSTAGES AS WELL. GUNMAN REFUSED TO RELENT ON LETTING SWEDES GO PEACEFULLY BECAUSE SWEDISH GOVERNMENT ALLEGEDLY TURNED OVER SEVEN RED ARMY PERSONNEL TO JAPANESE GOVERNMENT. GUNMEN HAVE ALSO BROKEN CONSULAR SECTION WINDOWS.

2. DEADLINE HAS BEEN EXTENDED TO 5:20 P.M. LOCAL TIME, I.E., FOUR HOURS AFTER THEY TOOK SWEDES HOSTAGE.

3. MALAYSIAN GOVERNMENT COMMAND POST HAS BEEN SET UP AT NEARBY POLICE STATION UNDER COMMAND OF INSPECTOR GENERAL HANIFF OMAR. WE HAVE LIAISON PERSONNEL AT COMMAND CENTER.

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